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In re application of

Mohamed CHOKRI et al.

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NEW ANTIGEN PRESENTING CELLS,
A PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME
AND THEIR USE AS CELLULAR VACCINES

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of March 15, 2002,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 87 without prejudice.

Amend claim 44 as follows:

--44. (thrice amended) Monocyte-derived antigen-presenting cells (MD-APCs) which have a higher phagocytic capacity than mature dendritic cells and which have capacity for MHC class I (MHC-I) and MHC class II (MHC-II) antigen presentation,

said MD-APCs having been produced by differentiating blood monocytes in vitro, in the presence of ligands enhancing the capacity of said MD-APCs for MHC-I antigen presentation relative to standard macrophages,

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